

HOUSE BILL 1228

By Dennis

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56;
Title 63 and Title 71, relative to dentist in the
TennCare program.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

71-5-151.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this part and in addition to any provision of title 56, chapter 32, or of the network adequacy standards of any federal waiver received by the state that waives any or all of the provisions of Title XIX, in any county that otherwise lacks a qualified dentist in the county who participates in the TennCare dental program, the bureau of TennCare, and any managed care organization or benefit manager which contracts with the TennCare program to provide dental services, shall include within its provider network for that county the services of a qualified dentist who applies to participate in the provider network.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.